## BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE

STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF THE BANBURY
HOT SPRINGS GROUND WATER
MANAGEMENT AREA

ORDER ESTABLISHING GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA

WHEREAS, data collected during the past four (4) years by the Idaho
Department of Water Resources and the United States Geological Survey indicate a
decline in artesian pressure for many of the wells in the Banbury Hot Springs
Area near Buhl; and,

WHEREAS, lacking sufficient data to estimate the recharge to the system, these declines may be evidence that withdrawals from the system are approaching or exceeding the amount of recharge to the system; and,

WHEREAS, there are existing permits for the area which if developed would increase the amount of withdrawal from the thermal system by a factor of three (3) or more; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 42-233a, <u>Idaho Code</u>, and related statutes, a Critical Ground Water Area has been interpreted to be any ground water basin, or designated part thereof, from which the discharge exceeds the recharge; and,

WHEREAS, Section 42-233b, <u>Idaho Code</u>, authorizes the Director of the Department to establish a Ground Water Management Area in any ground water basin or designated part thereof where a determination is made that conditions of a Critical Ground Water Area are approached;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the following area be included within and designated as the Banbury Hot Springs Ground Water Management Area, pursuant to Section 42-233b, <u>Idaho Code</u>:

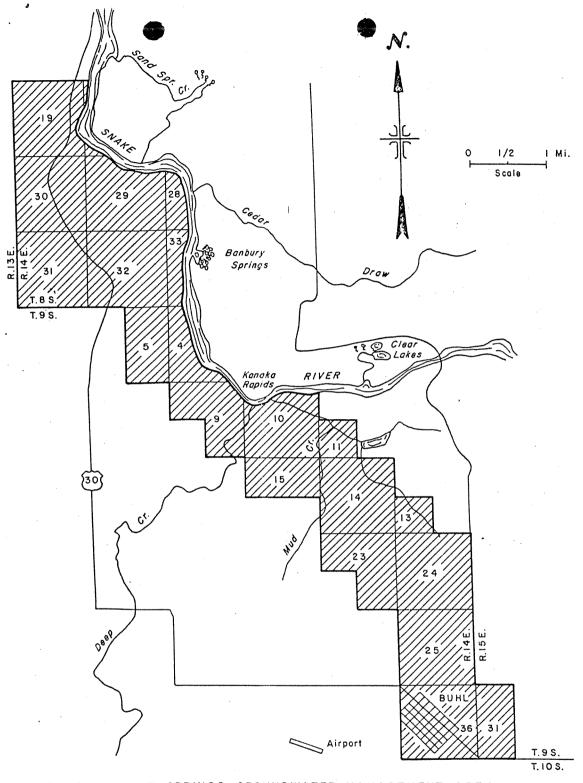
From the point of beginning at the intersection of the west bank of the Snake River and the section line common to Sections 17 and 20, Twp. 8S, Rge. 14E, southeasterly along the bank of the Snake River approximately 6.5 miles to the section line common to Sections 10 and 11, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence south approximately .5 miles to the northwest corner of the southwest quarter, Section 11, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence east approximately .5 miles to the center of Section 11, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence south approximately .5 miles to the northwest corner of the northeast quarter, Section 14, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence east approximately .5 miles to the northwest corner of Section 13, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence east approximately .5 miles to the northwest corner of Section 13, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence east to the center of Section 13, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence east to the center of Section 13, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence

south approximately .5 miles to the northwest corner of the northeast quarter, Section 24, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence east approximately .5 miles to the northeast corner of Section 24, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence south approximately 2 miles to the northwest corner of Section 31, Twp. 95, Rge. 15E, thence east approximately .5 miles to the northwest corner of the northeast quarter, Section 31, Twp. 9S, Rge. 15E; thence south approximately 1 mile to the southwest corner of the southeast quarter, Section 31, Twp. 98, Rge. 15E; thence west approximately 1.5 miles to the southwest corner of Section 36, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately 2 miles to the northwest corner of Section 25, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence west approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of the southeast quarter, Section 23, Twp. 95, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately .5 miles to the center of Section 23, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence west approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter, Section 23, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately 1 mile to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter, Section 14, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence west approximately 1 mile to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter, Section 15, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of Section 10, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence west approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of the southeast quarter, Section 9, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately .5 miles to the center of Section 9, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence west approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of the northwest quarter, Section 9, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of Section 4, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E, thence west approximately .5 miles to the southwest corner of the southeast quarter, Section 5, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately 1 mile to the northwest corner of the northeast quarter, Section 5, Twp. 9S, Rge. 14E; thence west approximately 1.5 miles to the southwest corner of Section 31, Twp. 8S, Rge. 14E; thence north approximately 3 miles to the northwest corner of Section 19, Twp. 8S, Rge. 14E; thence east approximately 1.1 miles to the point of beginning.

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Dated this 12 th day of April, 1983.

DIRECTOR



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